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**From:** Coats, Janetta [coats.janetta@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 6/14/2019 2:28:36 PM  
**To:** Brozowski, George [brozowski.george@epa.gov]; Durant, Jennah [Durant.Jennah@epa.gov]; Fife, Greg [fife.greg@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Rouse, Philip [rouse.philip@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Draft desk statement for Lowerline removal

One last thought:

During the removal efforts community outreach efforts continued to ensure the community was aware of the progress being made.

Thoughts?

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**Sent:** Friday, June 14, 2019 8:58 AM  
**To:** Durant, Jennah <Durant.Jennah@epa.gov>; Coats, Janetta <coats.janetta@epa.gov>; Fife, Greg <fife.greg@epa.gov>  
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Perfect! Thanks!

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**Subject:** RE: Draft desk statement for Lowerline removal

This version combines Greg's and George's edits. I will send this to my managers for approval unless someone has other suggestions.

EPA, working with the city of New Orleans, removed radioactive material from beneath Lowerline Street in New Orleans, La. Excavation of the material finished on June 3. During the removal, radiation monitors, perimeter monitors, and dust samples did not detect elevated readings outside the immediate excavation area. Mobile air monitoring throughout the area, along with radiological surveys of the surrounding streets, has not detected radiation levels of concern. EPA will continue monitoring to assure the safety of area residents.

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Good morning,

No additional comments.

Thanks,

***Janetta Coats***

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**From:** Fife, Greg  
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The excavation began on May 28

Excavation was complete on June 3

Street repaving was complete on June 12

The “strong-tight” boxes are staged and waiting for the disposal to be approved.

The level of radiation is lower in the boxes than from the street.

During the action, not only were meters used to monitor the radiation, perimeter monitors and dust samplers were used. No elevated readings were found outside of the immediate excavation.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 13, 2019, at 3:38 PM, Durant, Jennah <[Durant.Jennah@epa.gov](mailto:Durant.Jennah@epa.gov)> wrote:

That works for me. When was the removal complete?

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Good afternoon and how about the following:

**EPA, working with the city of New Orleans, removed radioactive material from beneath Lowerline Street in New Orleans, La. The removal was completed on June XX. Mobile air monitoring throughout the area, along with radiological surveys of the surrounding streets, has not detected radiation levels of concern. EPA will continue monitoring to assure the safety of area residents.**

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Hi—

I'd like to develop a written statement to respond to press inquiries on the Lowerline/Gert Town radiation removal. Below is a first draft. Please help me fill in the details and let me know what edits you have.

EPA, working with the city of New Orleans, removed radioactive material from beneath Lowerline Street in New Orleans, La. The removal was completed on June XX. Mobile air monitoring throughout the area has not detected radiation levels of concern. EPA will continue monitoring to assure the safety of area residents.

Thanks,  
Jennah  
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